

1 AN ACT concerning children.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Early Intervention Services System Act is
5 amended by changing Section 11 as follows:

6 (325 ILCS 20/11) (from Ch. 23, par. 4161)

7 Sec. 11. Individualized Family Service Plans. Each
8 eligible infant or toddler and that infant's or toddler's
9 family shall receive:

10 (a) timely, comprehensive, multidisciplinary
11 assessment of the unique needs of each eligible infant
12 and toddler, and assessment of the concerns and
13 priorities of the families to appropriately assist them
14 in meeting their needs and identify services to meet
15 those needs; and

16 (b) a written Individualized Family Service Plan
17 developed by a multidisciplinary team which includes the
18 parent or guardian.

19 The Individualized Family Service Plan shall be evaluated
20 once a year and the family shall be provided a review of the
21 Plan at 6 month intervals or more often where appropriate
22 based on infant or toddler and family needs.

23 The evaluation and initial assessment and initial Plan
24 meeting must be held within 45 days after the initial contact
25 with the early intervention services system. With parental
26 consent, early intervention services may commence before the
27 completion of the comprehensive assessment and development of
28 the Plan.

29 Parents must be informed that, at their discretion, early
30 intervention services shall be provided to each eligible
31 infant and toddler in the natural environment, which may

1 include the home or other community settings. Parents shall
2 make the final decision to accept or decline early
3 intervention services. A decision to decline those such
4 services shall not be a basis for administrative
5 determination of parental fitness, or other findings or
6 sanctions against the parents. Parameters of the Plan shall
7 be set forth in rules.

8 (Source: P.A. 91-538, eff. 8-13-99.)